

Commodity Shelf Newsletter

October 2009

Commodity Expos January 26-28, 2010

DESE – SFS will again be holding Commodity Expos throughout Missouri to give LEAs the opportunity to learn more about the USDA Donated Foods (DF) Program and the processed items available for the 2010 – 2011 school year. **ALL LEAs** are strongly encouraged to attend the Commodity Expos, specifically the person(s) responsible for completing the processing packet. Participants will also have the opportunity to sample approved items from processors.

The following dates and locations have been established:



1. Kansas City area – Fort Osage Campus
 - Tuesday, January 26, 2010
2. Central MO – Waynesville Career Center
 - Wednesday, January 27, 2010
3. St. Louis area – Francis Howell Central H.S.
 - Thursday, January 28, 2010

Make plans to join the DESE – SFS staff at one of the locations to experience a great show of processed food and a day to network with other Food Service Directors from across the state.

The format will be slightly different this year in comparison to previous Commodity Expos because DESE – SFS has integrated time to work with LEAs on their processing packet during the Expos. An educational session will begin the Expo each day, followed by the food show of approved processed items for SY 10-11, and then there will be areas set-up for DESE – SFS staff to work through the processing packet with any LEA wishing to seek our assistance. The educational session will include a brief overview of the Donated Food Program here in Missouri and also will include discussions about enhancements to the DF Program on the horizon.

DESE – SFS has received many requests for assistance on processing packets and also requests to hold the Commodity Expos after the processing packets

have been distributed, and we hope that these requests can be met by the new format of the Commodity Expos.

Additional information and registration for the Commodity Expos will be available in the near future on the [DESE – SFS Commodities Web Site](#). Big thanks go out to our host districts and the processors who continue to keep the Commodity Expos a **free** event for participants.

National School Lunch Week Oct 12-16

NSLW will be October 12 – 16, 2009. The theme for



NSLW 2009 is “All-Star School Lunch”. Menus, handouts, and contests can be found on the [School Nutrition Association's Web Site](#). Have fun with NSLW 09

and make it a slam dunk!

Recipe Contest

No recipes were submitted for the September Commodity of the month Whole Wheat Flour, [B351](#). Therefore; the Recipe of the Month will be a modified Commodity Supplemental Food Program recipe for chocolate chip cookies. A [PDF file](#) and a NutriKids file for the recipe can be found on the DESE – SFS Commodities Web Site under [Recipe of the Month](#).

The Commodity of the Month for October will be Whole, Dry, Pinto Beans ([A942](#)). Any recipe including Whole, Dry, Pinto Beans will be accepted.

To give LEAs some time to prep their best recipes, a look into the commodity crystal ball shows the upcoming Commodity of the Month will be:

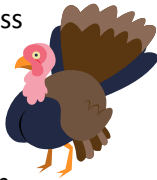
- November – Brown Rice ([B545](#))
- December – Bakery Mix, Low Fat ([B368](#))



A [form](#) is available on the DESE – SFS Commodities Web Site to fill out and submit with your recipe. Submit recipes to DESE – SFS by either E-Mail at webreplyascforcom@dese.mo.gov or by Fax, 573-526-3897, by the 25th of each month.

More BONUS Turkey

DESE – SFS received another notification of a **BONUS** Turkey purchase by USDA. This particular **BONUS** Turkey buy resulted in Missouri being “fair-shared” an additional truck of A537 Boneless Turkey Roasts and two trucks of A549 Frozen Turkey Breast, Deli Style, both for November delivery. DESE – SFS was also able to request, and be awarded, an additional five trucks of A549 Frozen Turkey Breast, Deli Style for December delivery. Look for the additional items to be on the November and December Open Orders for delivery in December and January.



DESE – SFS also received an E-Mail from USDA notifying of an oversight in the initial purchase of A537 Boneless Turkey Roasts. The E-Mail detailed a mistake made in the purchase of three of the six trucks Missouri received of A537, which resulted in three trucks actually



being a Bone-In Turkey Breast with Gravy, instead of the Boneless Turkey Roast. After notifying the contracted state warehouse, Food Distribution Associates,

it was determined that LEAs receiving deliveries during the first and second weeks of the month received the mistaken Bone-In Turkey Breast. An E-Mail was sent to the FSD of affected LEAs, if a valid E-Mail address was on file. All LEAs may want to double-check their A537 to verify it is a Boneless Turkey Roast and not a Bone-In Turkey Breast prior to menuing. If your LEA receives commodity deliveries during the first or second week of the month and you did not receive the E-Mail, please contact Matthew Essner for additional information.

DESE – SFS cannot receive replacement product from USDA, and we ask that you make modifications to your menus to use the Bone-In Turkey Breast and Gravy. DESE – SFS apologizes for any inconveniences this may cause, this was out of our control.

NutriKids Info

DESE – SFS has created a file containing the nutritional information for all items available via the processing packet for SY 09-10. The file is formatted for easy import into NutriKids, if that is the software used by your LEA for Nutrient Standard Menu Planning. The file has been posted to the [Commodities Web Site](#) under the Nutritional Information heading with [instructions](#) in PDF posted below.

Upcoming meetings

Matthew Essner will be attending the School Food and Nutrition Directors Association of Greater St. Louis meeting on Thursday, October 22, 2009. A presentation concerning the Donated Food Program will be covered as well as any current topics/issues the group would like to discuss. Anyone interested in attending should contact Leta Lute of Kingston K-14 School District at Lute.Leta@kingston.k12.mo.us or 573-438-4982 ext 2892.

Need New Equipment??

Could you use 10 new pieces of kitchen equipment in your district? The School Nutrition Foundation and Winston Industries have teamed up for a third year of awarding a grant to one school district in need of new kitchen equipment. The grant is awarded through a competitive grant application. For more information or to access the application, go to the below SNA Web Site: (<http://www.schoolnutrition.org/Content.aspx?id=12968>).

Submitting Orders to DESE – SFS

LEAs have been required to submit monthly orders to DESE – SFS via E-Mail for less than a year now, and the transition has been a great success, THANKS! Each month there are fewer questions from LEAs needing assistance in submitting their monthly orders in the proper manner. DESE – SFS would like to reiterate a few points that will continue to make ordering a more efficient process for all involved.

- ✓ 1. All items available through DESE – SFS have [Order Forms](#) posted to the DESE – SFS Commodities Web Site. Any additional Order Forms received via fax, mail, ect. are not DESE – SFS items.
- ✓ 2. All Order Forms are available in PDF format and must be filled out on the computer, saved, and returned to DESE – SFS via E-Mail to webreplyascfocom@dese.mo.gov.
- ✓ 3. Include your **AGREEMENT NUMBER** first in the subject line of the E-Mail when submitting.
- ✓ 4. Double-check your orders for accuracy!! Making adjustments to orders is not always possible, so please verify you have ordered all you need (and nothing you don't need) prior to submitting.
- ✓ 5. Orders are due by the 15th of the month at 12:00 p.m. (noon). DESE – SFS begins compiling all of the orders shortly after the deadline, and may not be able to add any orders submitted after the deadline.

Product Updates

DESE – SFS has added a PDF document to the [Commodities Web Site](#) which has the [quantities of Prorated Commodities](#) to be delivered during the next month. The document also has any adjustments which had to be made to items with limited quantities on the Open Order. The document will be updated each month after all the quantities of Open Orders have been finalized. The highlighted column indicates the new, modified, quantity your LEA can expect on the next delivery. Also the footer contains details about the delivery weeks for the Prorated Commodities.

A schedule of items to look forward to on upcoming Open Orders was listed on page 3 of the [September 2009 Commodity Shelf Newsletter](#). Below are additional Open Order items with estimated delivery periods and the quantities of each item are also listed.

- [A507](#) Chicken, Canned, Boned, Fully Cooked. Jan 2010 and Feb 2010 (1,000 cases each)
- [A537](#) Turkey Roasts, Boneless, Frozen, Ready-to-Cook. Dec 2009 (1,000 cases)
- [A549](#) Turkey Breast, Deli Style, Frozen. Dec 2009 (2,000 cases) and Jan 2010 (5,000 cases)

Each item's Commodity Fact Sheet is hyperlinked by clicking on the Commodity Code or can be found on the [DESE – SFS Commodities Web Site](#) under the heading Nutritional Information. All time periods are the expected delivery time periods and may change due to USDA purchasing. The case quantity is the amount available to ALL LEAs throughout the entire State of Missouri. All items have been *requested* by USDA and are not guaranteed.

When the state-wide total of Open Orders is greater than the quantity in inventory for a specific item, then orders are adjusted by DESE – SFS to scale back orders on a percentage based on orders received. The items receiving adjustments for October delivery were Carrots, A099 (LEAs received about 25% of their placed orders), Peas, A140 (LEAs received about 54% of their placed orders), Blueberries, A387 (LEAs received about 27% of their placed orders), Turkey Roasts, A537 (LEAs received about 95% of their placed orders), Cheddar Cheese Shredded, B027 (LEAs received about 30% of their placed orders), Mozzarella Cheese Shredded B035 (LEAs received about 29% of their placed orders) and Oats, B444 (LEAs ordering only one case of B444 were shipped their one case until quantities were depleted). Normally all LEAs ordering Open Order items will receive at least one case even if the item has to be scaled back by DESE – SFS, with the exception of Oats last month.

Mrs. Clarks Update

Mrs. Clarks (MC) issued a hold on their reduced calorie ranch (gallon and portion cups) on August 28, 2009, that escalated to a recall on September 9, 2009. All products which were delivered to LEAs have been accounted for. LEAs ordering MC reduced calorie ranch for September and October delivery **WILL NOT** receive the products and should double-check their invoices to verify they did not get billed by MC for product that will not be delivered.

MC also had an issue with liquid margarine for October distribution because MC ran out of caps for the product. This resulted in a delay of shipping the products into Food Distribution Associates (FDA); therefore some LEAs did not receive their October delivery of liquid margarine. The liquid margarine is now at FDA and will be delivered to LEAs who have not already received their October delivery, and LEAs who **did not** receive their liquid margarine on their October delivery, the product has been back-ordered at FDA and **will be** delivered along with the rest of your November commodities.

Quote for the Month

“Interestingly, koi, when put in a fish bowl, will only grow up to three inches. When this same fish is placed in a large tank, it will grow to about nine inches long. In a pond, koi can reach lengths of eighteen inches. Amazingly, when placed in a lake, koi can grow to three feet long. The metaphor is obvious. You are limited by how you see the world.” – Vince Poscente



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Prorated Commodities for School Year 2009-2010

(The below list are the Prorated Commodities DESE, SFS anticipates receiving. *All quantities, delivery periods, and values are subject to change.*)

Prorated Commodities are USDA Donated Foods (DF), which are purchased by DESE – SFS and then equally distributed to all LEAs participating in the DF program based on their Average Daily Participation (ADP) in the National School Lunch Program. These commodities are intended to be used in the approved Child Nutrition Programs sponsored by USDA. LEAs may **REFUSE** any Prorated Commodity item they wish by having the **Authorized Representative contact DESE – SFS in writing at least six (6) weeks prior to the beginning Estimated Delivery Period**. Refusals can be sent via E-Mail to webreplyascfocom@dese.mo.gov, by Fax to 573-526-3897 or by letter to PO Box 480, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0480.

| Commodity Code | Description | Case per ADP* | Case Size | Estimated Delivery Period | Estimated per Case VALUE** |
|------------------------------|--|---------------|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Fruits and Vegetables | | | | | |
| A174 | Potatoes, Wedges, IQF | 44 | 6 – 5 lb bags | COMPLETE | \$ 14.25 |
| A417 | Strawberries, FRZN, Diced, 4.5 oz IND cups | 52 | 96 – 4.5 oz cups | COMPLETE | \$ 30.76 |
| A130 | Corn, FRZN, Whole Kernel | 44 | 30 lb case | Sep 15, 09 – Oct 31, 09 | \$ 12.26 |
| A416 | Peaches, FRZN, Diced, 4.4 oz IND cups | 52 | 96 – 4.4 oz cups | Sep 15, 09 – Oct 31, 09 | \$ 23.04 |
| A433 | Pears, CND, Sliced, Bartlett | 64 | 6 – # 10 cans | Oct 15, 09 – Nov 30, 09 | \$ 22.84 |
| A243 | Spaghetti Sauce, CND, Meatless | 62 | 6 – # 10 cans | Oct 15, 09 – Nov 30, 09 | \$ 12.71 |
| A346 | Apple Slices, FRZN, Unsweetened | 37 | 30 lb case | Dec 15, 09 – Jan 31, 10 | \$ 9.68 |
| A091 *** | Beans, Vegetarian, CND, | 68 | 6 – # 10 cans | Nov 1, 09 – Dec 15, 09 | \$ 13.48 |
| A431 | Pears, CND, Halves | 64 | 6 – # 10 cans | Nov 1, 09 – Dec 15, 09 | \$ 23.40 |
| A204 | Potatoes, Rounds, FRZN | 44 | 6 – 5 lb bags | Dec 1, 09 – Jan 15, 10 | \$ 12.49 |
| A061 *** | Beans, Green, CND | 64 | 6 – # 10 cans | Dec 15, 09 – Jan 31, 10 | \$ 16.52 |
| A350 | Applesauce, CND, Unsweetened | 64 | 6 – # 10 cans | Jan 1, 10 – Feb 15, 10 | \$ 17.08 |
| A942 | Beans, Pinto, DRY, Whole | 46 | 25 lb bag | Jan 1, 10 – Feb 15, 10 | \$ 9.48 |
| A409 | Peaches, CND, Clingstone, Diced | 64 | 6 – # 10 cans | Jan 1, 10 – Feb 15, 10 | \$ 17.54 |
| A434 | Pears, CND, Diced, Bartlett | 64 | 6 – # 10 cans | Feb 1, 10 – Mar 15, 10 | \$ 22.19 |
| A085 *** | Beans, Refried, CND | 68 | 6 – # 10 cans | Feb 15, 10 – Mar 31, 10 | \$ 21.79 |
| A210 | Potatoes, FRZN, Oven Fry, Crinkle | 44 | 6 – 5 lb bags | Feb 15, 10 – Mar 31, 10 | \$ 17.17 |
| A299 | Orange Juice, FRZN, 4 oz IND cartons | 38 | 70 – 4 fl oz cartons | Mar 1, 10 – Apr 15, 10 | \$ 7.48 |
| Meat/Meat Alternates | | | | | |
| B065 | Cheese, Sliced American, Yellow, Processed | 37 | 6 – 5 lb loaves | COMPLETE | \$ 34.52 |
| A515 | Chicken, Cut-Up, FRZN, 8 pc, Raw | 20 **** | 40 lb case | Nov 15, 09 – Dec 31, 09 | \$ 26.66 |
| A608 | Beef, Raw, FRZN, Fine Ground, 85/15 | 84 **** | 4 – 10 lb packages | Oct 1, 09 – Nov 15, 09 | \$ 59.54 |
| A608 | Beef, Raw, FRZN, Fine Ground, 85/15 | 42 **** | 4 – 10 lb packages | Jan 1, 10 – Feb 15, 10 | \$ 59.54 |
| A515 | Chicken, Cut-Up, FRZN, 8 pc, Raw | 20 **** | 40 lb case | Jan 15, 10 – Feb 28, 10 | \$ 26.66 |
| B065 | Cheese, Sliced American, Yellow, Processed | 37 | 6 – 5 lb loaves | Feb 1, 10 – Mar 15, 10 | \$ 46.99 |
| A608 | Beef, Raw, FRZN, Fine Ground, 85/15 | MAKE UP***** | 4 – 10 lb packages | Mar 15, 10 – Apr 30, 10 | \$ 59.54 |

* Case per ADP means each LEA will receive approximately one (1) case of product for that number of Average Daily Participants. Each LEA will receive **AT LEAST** one (1) case of the product. This figure is only an ESTIMATE!

- Example: If LEA Jane Doe's ADP = 100 and A299 = 38 Case/ADP, then they could estimate to receive 2 cases of A299.
(100 ÷ 38 = 2.63. Round down for estimates).

** Estimated per Case VALUE is the value figured for each case based on the estimated cost per requested truck [determined by the USDA's Electronic Commodity Ordering System (ECOS)] divided by the number of cases on each truck.

- Example: A truck of A608 is estimated by ECOS to cost \$59,540 and contain 1,000 cases; therefore the Estimated VALUE is \$59,540 ÷ 1,000 = \$59.54.

*** These commodity **BEANS** can be credited for a Vegetable *or* a Meat/Meat Alternate in Food Based Menu Planning, but cannot be credited for BOTH on the same menu.

**** Beef and Chicken Case/ADP's are determined by the response each LEA chose on the Processing Packet for School Year 2009 – 2010. If your LEA chose to process any percent of either commodity, then you must adjust the Case/ADP accordingly. If your LEA chose to process 100% of the commodity, then ZERO (0) cases will be prorated to your LEA.

- Example: If you chose to process 50% of your Chicken and your ADP is 100, then you would determine your quantity of A515 cases and multiply by 0.50 to estimate that you will receive 2 cases of A515.
(100 ÷ 20 = 5 cases), (5 cases x 0.50 = 2.5 cases) Round down for estimates.

***** MAKE UP deliveries are for LEA's who chose to defer their pounds of PORK on the Processing Packet for School Year 2009 – 2010 and receive GROUND BEEF instead.

IQF = Individually Quick Frozen

FRZN = Frozen

IND = Individual

CND = Canned